

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON

December 31, 2019

The Honorable Vern Buchanan U.S. House of Representatives 2104 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Buchanan:

Thank you for your letter regarding the retransmission consent dispute between AT&T/DirecTV and Nexstar Media Group. Under Section 325(b) of the Communications Act, parties to a retransmission consent negotiation are required to negotiate in good faith. The Commission implemented specific rules to outline what constitutes "good faith" negotiations and those rules are enforced through complaints. In this case, neither party filed a complaint with the Commission alleging a violation of our rules during the dispute. Moreover, the parties ultimately reached an agreement on retransmission consent on August 29, 2019.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

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